would adduce the Vastara-Aldur road as an example. Ten years ago there was no traffic on this road. Now the traffic was very heavy and the road had become exceptionally important and as the Local Fund Board has no funds for metalling and improving it, the Government took over the work as a Provincial charge. It had been necessary to do the same in the case of other roads rising into importance ; but there must of course be a limit to what the Government can thus do by way of relief to the Local Funds. Colonel Bowen then added, that, apart from the question of funds, there were other difficulties. There was indeed some difficulty in supervision, but this would be sufficiently met by appointing a special subordinate officer exclusively for roads. But there would still remain the difficulty of finding contractors and labor for work on these Malnad roads. Coffee Planters themselves took up the contracts in some cases and failed to do the needful from want of labor.

Dewan's reply.—In reply, the Dewan observed that the Government had recently relieved Local Fund Boards of the charge of the more important roads on which there was heavy traffic or which could at all be regarded as main lines of communication ; the question now raised regarding the bad condition of the roads in question would be remitted to the Local Fund Board for consideration and needful action ; unmetalled roads could only be gradually metalled as Local Funds became available and the road mileage to be maintained in the Malnad of Mysore, was enormous compared with what exists in other Provinces, but the Boards would be required to do their best.

Subject No. 41.
Game Law.

Summary of discussion.—It is understood that an Act for the preservation of Game of every description is now under the consideration of Government. Protection is anxiously looked for and very urgently required.

Dewan's reply.—The Darbar is glad to hear the Planters take so favorable a view of the proposed legislation. A draft regulation has been drawn up and circulated to gentlemen competent to advise on the subject. Valuable opinions have thus been obtained and are under consideration. The measure will soon be ripe for submission to the Government of India.

Subject No. 42.
D. P. W. Projects.

The following works of public utility proposed by Representatives from the Kadur District were noted for consideration in the Public Works Department :—

(*a*). A road 6 or 7 miles long from Jakkanhalli Police Station to connect the Aldur Road, for which more than